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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

This **Response to Office Action** is filed in response to the Office Action mailed November 26, 2002, rejecting claims 1-7. The cited references are US Patents Nos. 5,700,848 to Soon-Shiong (hereafter, "Soon-Shiong") and 5,041,138 to Vacanti (hereafter "Vacanti"). The following amendments and remarks remove all grounds for rejection of the application, thereby placing it in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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